

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

[1065] A device is provided for use in, e.g., XO and VCXO applications that utilizes a terminal that can function in a first mode as a serial communications port and in a second mode as an output enable terminal controlling, for example, the clock output(s). In the first mode, the output enable function is unavailable through the terminal. After the terminal is programmed to operate in the second mode, the terminal functions permanently in the second mode.